

WHEREAS, The Department of Social Services of the State of South Dakota has a commitment to keeping families together; and,

WHEREAS, Foster care is a temporary placement program for children designed to help families resolve their problems; and,

WHEREAS, More foster families are needed; and,

WHEREAS, Foster families are especially needed for older and handicapped children:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1977, as

FOSTER FAMILY MONTH

In South Dakota to focus public attention on the need for more foster families and to recognize the meaningful contributions of foster families across the State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, In Pierre, the Capital City, this 9th day of May, In the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy Seven

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE